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- 1 KIM Tu-pong (全 持幸) and KIM Il-song (全 日成) head two opposing factions in the North Korean Labor Party and the North Korean Government. KIM Il-song is the leader of the "International Revolutionary Faction" which is supported by the USSR. KIM Tu-pong heads the faction which seeks to establish Communism in Korea on a national and not an international basis. KIM Il-song wishes to make Korea a Soviet Republic; KIM Tu-pong wishes to have Korea remain an independent nation.
- 2. KIM Il-song is now in complete control of the Korean Labor Party even though KIM Tu-pong holds the office of precident (?chairman?) of the party.* KIM Tu-pong's position is merely a nominal one, for he receives orders and directives from KIM Il-song which he must and does strictly follow. KIM Il-song has also filled KIM Tu-pong's office with his own loyal followers who report to him on all KIM Tu-pong's activities. As a result of this strict surveillance, KIM Tu-pong has been unable to start an independent program of his own and, therefore, gives lip service to KIM Il-song and KIM Il-song's policies. He has been able to do nothing beyond placing some of his own henchmen in the office of KIM Il-sing to report to him on KIM Il-song's activities.

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Note: According to KIM Il-owng has replaced KIM Tu-pong as chairman of the Central Committee of the North Korean Labor Party; KIM Tu-pong is still a member of the Labor Party but holds no office in the party.)

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